



Agreement Request – Tsuut’ina Nation

EC2024-1320

2024 December 5



Recommendation

That the Executive Committee recommend that Council direct Administration to commence Memorandum of Understanding development with Tsuut'ina Nation with the potential to explore recommendations for service agreement updates, and report back to Council through the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee with the agreement for approval, upon completion.

Background

- Tsuut'ina Nation is located just southwest of the city and is geographically the closest First Nation to Calgary.
- The Nation is governed by one Chief and 12 Minor Chiefs.
- Houses several properties known and visited by Calgarians (e.g. Grey Eagle Resort and Taza development).
- The City has an existing relationship with the Nation through several ongoing communication channels and projects.



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tsuutina.com



Request

- On 2024 November 25, The Mayor's Office received a request from Tsuut'ina Nation proposing the development of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Tsuut'ina Nation and the City of Calgary to build on shared history and positive relationship.
- An MOU would serve as a guiding framework to formalize partners' collaboration and commitment to key priorities including:
 - Economic Development
 - Fire and Emergency Services
 - Transit Services
 - Water Infrastructure
 - Tourism

Memorandum of Understanding

- MOUs (also referred to as Relationship Agreements, Friendship Agreements or Protocol Agreements), are legally non-binding agreements that outline how Indigenous and non-Indigenous governments engage with one another on areas of mutual interest and establish a cooperative relationship.
- To date, this is the second request The City has received after the Blackfoot Confederacy's request, which is currently under development.
- The Government of Alberta has reached three agreements with Tribal Councils across Alberta.



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